

WILD AND FREE



The Mission of the Corolla Wild Horse Fund is to protect, conserve, and responsibly manage the herd of wild Colonial Spanish Mustangs roaming freely on the northernmost Currituck Outer Banks, and to promote the continued preservation of this land as a permanent sanctuary for horses designated as the State Horse and defined as a cultural treasure by the state of North Carolina.

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Your Support In Action

There's nothing better than a pile of sand to play on! Virginia Dare is definitely queen of the hill.

You may remember a photo we posted a few months ago on Facebook of Kitty Hawk standing on an even bigger pile of sand that we were getting ready to use for some construction projects around the farm.

Well, we have been very busy and the work is nearly done!

We've cleared and fixed our ditches, culverts, and have added a swale in the big pasture that tends to flood. We also have brand new hurricane-rated shelters in this pasture, complete with concrete foundations.



Kitty Hawk



Virginia Dare

Our farm on the mainland provides permanent sanctuary for any horse removed from the wild herd, and provides a space for people to get up close and personal with these special horses.

As we continue to focus on our breed conservation program, the farm and its projects and enhancements will continue to evolve. None of these enhancements are possible without your support.

The rescue farm is a vital part of ensuring that these horses continue to be a vibrant part of our living history.



A Successful Fall Fundraiser



We'd like to thank you for your support. Like many non-profits, it's a daily effort to find support and funding to continue our work. We are so grateful for our members and supporters who we count on day in and day out. And who always step up in times of crisis.

This was our first-ever Fall Fundraiser. We raised over \$22,000 to help with the new enhancements at the farm, vet bills, and general maintenance of sanctuary observer vehicles. Everything we do greatly depends on your ongoing support. *Thank you.*

**YOU TOO CAN BE A
HERD WATCHER
WATCH - RECORD - REPORT**

WATCH

- For anyone closer than 50 feet to the horses.
- Anyone feeding (by hand or tossing) food of any kind.
- Anyone chasing, pursuing, throwing objects at, or harassing the horses.

RECORD

- Use your cell phone to photograph or film infractions.
- When possible, photograph license plate numbers.
- Retain descriptions of individuals (clothes, caps, tattoos, etc.).

REPORT

- Please contact the Currituck Sheriff's Department at 252-232-2216. You can do this without giving your name if you chose to do so.
- Or contact us, the Corolla Wild Horse Fund, at 252-453-8002 and we will follow-up.

By the Numbers: Fall 2021

95	The DNA project is advancing . Approximately 95 DNA samples from the wild herd and from those in captivity have been collected so far. This vital work is an ongoing project and is critical to the overall health and longevity of Corolla's Banker mustang breed.
9	Foals born so far in the 2021 season: Bee, Billie, Betsy, Benjamin, Bridget, Bramble, Beatrice, Brio and Bravo.
100	CWHF is the only place where 100% of the profits from the merchandise in our gift shop and our online store directly support Corolla's mustangs. Shopping with CWHF makes a difference.
650 – 1,100	Spanish Mustangs stand from 13.2 to 15 hands (54 to 60 inches, 137 to 152 cm) in height and can weigh between 650 and 1,100 pounds.
18	The number of Corolla mustangs that currently reside at the CWHF rescue farm, including one adorable mule!
17	It is estimated that wild horses can graze up to 17 hours per day.
200	A horse's eyesight is its primary means of identifying threats, as well as food, water, shelter, and other herd members. Its eyes are the largest of any land mammal and see mostly with monocular (one-eyed) vision, viewing over 200 degrees on each side.

14th Annual Carova Beach Clean Up!

For many years through the efforts of a group called the Tidewater Broncos, there have been annual beach clean-ups in Carova. These annual events also offer an opportunity for an annual fundraiser benefitting the Corolla Wild Horse Fund. This year, on October 2nd, members of Tidewater Broncos were joined by members of VA4WDA and Eastern Truck & Accessories, to make this event the most successful one yet.

The day itself offered terrific weather -- 73 degrees with a nice breeze. 125 hard-working volunteers set out to comb the beach for trash left behind by the long tourist season. There were about 60 vehicles ranging from early Broncos, a Jeep Scrambler, and quite a few Ford, Chevy, Dodge, and Toyota pickups. The team removed plenty of plastic garbage, bottles, and cans, as well as plenty of vehicle parts left behind – bumpers, rims, and tires – and we are grateful to all of them for their commitment and dedication.

After lunch, they conducted a raffle for items such as off-road recovery kits, gift cards, tee shirts, cups, and discounted tires, all donated by their sponsors. A silent auction presented even more great items.

These fundraising efforts resulted in a big-hearted donation of \$3,000 to the Fund. We are grateful for all of these wonderful volunteers who performed a welcomed service for the community and environment, as well as gave generously to support the Fund's mission.

